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#### **OATH OR AFFIRMATION**

I, Johnson P. So, swear that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule pertaining to TCW Brokerage Services (the "Company") as of and for the year ended December 31, 2004, are true and correct. I further swear that neither the Company nor any officer or director has any proprietary interest in any account classified solely as that of a customer.

Signature Vice President

STATE OF CALIFORNIA COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES ss.

Subscribed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February, 2005.

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ANGELICA R. GREENSWORD
Commission # 1378973
Notary Public - California & Los Angeles County
My Comm. Expires Oct 8, 2006

This report contains (check all applicable boxes):

- (x) Independent Auditors' Report.
- (x) (a) Facing page.
- (x) (b) Statement of Financial Condition.
- (x) (c) Statement of Operations.
- (x) (d) Statement of Cash Flows.
- (x) (e) Statement of Changes in Stockholder's Equity.
- ( ) (f) Statement of Changes in Liabilities Subordinated to Claims of General Creditors (not applicable)
- (x) Notes to Financial Statements.
- (x) (g) Computation of Net Capital for Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Rule 15c3-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- ( ) (h) Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements for Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (not applicable).
- () (i) Information Relating to the Possession or Control Requirements for Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Rule 15c3-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (not applicable).
- ( ) (j) A Reconciliation, including appropriate explanations, of the Computation of Net Capital under Rule 15c3-1 (included in item (g)) and the Computation for Determination of the Reserve Requirements under Exhibit A of Rule 15c3-3 (not required).
- ( ) (k) A Reconciliation between the audited and unaudited Statement of Financial Condition with respect to methods of consolidation (not applicable).
- (x) (1) An Oath or Affirmation.
- () (m) Copy of the SIPC Supplemental Report (not required).
- (x) (n) A report describing any material inadequacies found to exist or found to have existed since the date of the previous audit. Supplemental Report on Internal Control (filed concurrently and included in the Public Report as a separate document).



#### INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

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Board of Directors and Shareholder of TCW Brokerage Services

We have audited the following financial statements of TCW Brokerage Services, a wholly owned subsidiary of TCW Group, Inc. (the "Company") for the year ended December 31, 2004 that you are filing pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934:

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These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, such financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of TCW Brokerage Services at December 31, 2004, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental schedule of Computation of Net Capital for Brokers and Dealers Pursuant to Rule 15c3-1 Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 of TCW Brokerage Services as of December 31, 2004 is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is

supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. This schedule is the responsibility of the Company's management. Such schedule has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects when considered in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

February 22, 2005

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#### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

#### **DECEMBER 31, 2004**

#### **ASSETS**

Cash and cash equivalents (Note 2) Prepaid expenses Investments, at fair value (Note 2)	\$	4,514,397 42,751 55,768
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$</u>	4,612,916
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY		
Liabilities:		
Due to Parent (Note 4)	<u>\$_</u>	707,067
Shareholder's equity:		
Common stock, no par value; 1,000,000 shares		
authorized; 10,000 shares issued and outstanding		10,000
Additional paid-in capital		64,000
Retained earnings		3,831,849
Total Shareholder's Equity		3,905,849
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY	<u>\$</u>	4,612,916

#### STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

#### **REVENUES**

Fee income (Note 2) Investment income	\$ 3,716,400 44,425
Total Revenues	3,760,825
EXPENSES	
Personnel Regulatory expense Professional fees and other expenses	1,858,200 53,402 26,600
Total Expenses	1,938,202
Income before Income Taxes	1,822,623
Provision for Income Taxes (Note 2)	(746,666)
Net Income	<u>\$ 1,075,957</u>

# TCW BROKERAGE SERVICES STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDER'S EQUITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

	Commo	n Stock	Additional		
	No. of Shares	Amount	Paid-In Capital	Retained Earnings	Total
Balances at January 1, 2004	10,000	\$10,000	\$64,000	\$2,755,892	\$2,829,892
Net income	<del></del>		-	1,075,957	_1,075,957
Balances at December 31, 2004	10,000	\$10,000	\$6 <u>4,000</u>	\$3,831,849	\$3 <u>,905</u> ,849

#### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

#### FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

#### **CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:**

Net income		\$1,075,957
Adjustments to reconcile net income to		
net cash used in operating activities:		
Net unrealized gain on investments	\$(3,328)	
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Prepaid expenses	(1,498)	
Due to/from parent	746,666	
Other accrued expenses	(80,000)	
Total adjustments		<u>661,840</u>
Net Cash Provided by Operating Activities		<u>1,737,797</u>
NET INCREASE IN CASH		1,737,797
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINN	NING OF YEAR	2,776,600
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF	FYEAR	<u>\$4,514,397</u>

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

#### **NOTE 1 - ORGANIZATION**

Organization - TCW Brokerage Services (the "Company") is a wholly owned subsidiary of The TCW Group, Inc. (the "Parent"), and is a registered broker/dealer and a member of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. Effective July 6, 2001, the Parent became an indirect subsidiary of Société Générale, S.A. upon the sale of 51% of its stock to Société Générale Asset Management, S.A. The Company serves as national distributor of capital shares of a family of funds for which an affiliate serves as the investment advisor. In addition, the Company acts as a placement agent for private placement limited partnerships that are managed by an affiliate of the Company.

#### **NOTE 2 - SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

Basis of Presentation - The financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("US GAAP").

Cash and Cash Equivalents - The Company considers all investments that have original maturities of three months or less to be cash equivalents. At December 31, 2004, cash and cash equivalents consist of investments in demand deposits with a bank and a money market mutual fund for which the investment adviser of the fund is an affiliate of the Company.

Securities Transactions - Securities transactions are recorded on a trade-date basis.

*Investments* - Investments are recorded at estimated fair value, with unrealized gains and losses recognized in the statement of operations.

Fee Income - The Company receives revenues primarily from investment entities, which are managed by affiliated investment advisors. The Company acts as a structuring agent for the affiliated investment advisors.

Income Taxes - The Company files a consolidated federal income tax return and a combined state income tax return with the Parent. The Parent's policy is to allocate income tax expense to each subsidiary based upon the subsidiary's pre-tax income included in the computation of the Parent's consolidated income tax provision. The details of deferred tax expenses or benefits are recognized in the financial statements of the Parent and are allocated to the Company based on the temporary differences between the tax and the book basis of the Company's assets and liabilities that give rise to deferred taxes.

#### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2004

Estimated Fair Value of Financial Instruments - Cash and cash equivalents and Due to Parent are carried at values that approximate fair value at December 31, 2004.

Use of Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with US GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### **NOTE 3 - REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS**

The Company is subject to the Securities and Exchange Commission's Uniform Net Capital Rule (Rule 15c3-1), which requires that the Company maintain minimum net capital, as defined, and may not permit its aggregate indebtedness, as defined, to exceed 15 times its net capital (and the rules of various regulatory agencies also provide that equity capital may not be withdrawn or cash dividends paid if the resulting net capital ratio would exceed 10 to 1). At December 31, 2004, the Company had net capital of \$3,757,021, which was \$3,707,021 in excess of its required net capital of \$50,000. The Company's ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital was 0.19 to 1.

The Company is exempt from the provisions of Rule 15c3-3 (pursuant to paragraph k(2)(ii) of such Rule) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 because it carries no customer accounts, promptly transmits any customer funds and customer securities to the clearing broker or dealer and does not otherwise hold funds or securities of customers. Because of such exemption, the Company is not required to prepare the Computation of Reserve Requirements for Brokers or Dealers under Rule 15c3-3.

#### **NOTE 4 – RELATED PARTIES**

The Due to Parent balance of \$707,067 at December 31, 2004 represents the allocation of tax liabilities from the Parent. The Due to Parent balance is non-interest bearing and is expected to be paid within the next twelve months.

# COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL FOR BROKERS AND DEALERS PURSUANT TO RULE 15c3-1 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 DECEMBER 31, 2004

NET CAPITAL - Total Stockholder's Equity From Statement of Financial Condition		\$3,905,849
DEDUCTIONS AND/OR CHARGES:		
Nonallowable assets:		
Prepaid expenses	\$42,751	
Excess deductible provision on fidelity bond		
over maximum permissible amount	5,000	
Total deductions and/or charges		47,751
Net Capital before haircuts on securities positions		3,858,098
Haircuts on securities:		
Investments, marketable	7,870	
Investments, non-marketable	3,300	
Money Market Fund	89,907	
Total haircuts		101,077
NET CAPITAL		\$3,757,021
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TOTAL AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS		\$ 707,067
MINIMUM NET CAPITAL REQUIRED (Greater of		
6-2/3% of aggregate indebtedness or \$50,000)		\$50,000
EXCESS NET CAPITAL		\$3,707,021
RATIO OF AGGREGATE INDEBTEDNESS		
TO NET CAPITAL		<u>0.19 to 1</u>

Note: No significant differences were noted between the above computation of net capital and the Company's corresponding Form X-17A-5, Part IIA as of December 31, 2004.

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## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY SEC RULE 17a-5

February 22, 2005

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders of TCW Brokerage Services

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of TCW Brokerage Services (the "Company") for the year ended December 31, 2004 (on which we issued our report dated February 22, 2005), we considered its internal control, including control activities for safeguarding securities, in order to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements and not to provide assurance on the Company's internal control.

Also, as required by Rule 17a-5(g)(1) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, we have made a study of the practices and procedures (including tests of compliance with such practices and procedures) followed by the Company that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in Rule 17a-5(g) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness and net capital under Rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3. We did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in making the quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons, and the recordation of differences required by Rule 17a-13 or in complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities.

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of internal control and of the practices and procedures, and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the Securities and Exchange Commission's (the "Commission") abovementioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable, but not absolute, assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized acquisition, use, or disposition, and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally

Because of inherent limitations in any internal control or the practices and procedures referred to above, misstatements due to error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projections of any evaluation of the internal control or of such practices and procedures to future periods are subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the degree of compliance with the practices or procedures may deteriorate.

Our consideration of the Company's internal control would not necessarily disclose all matters in the Company's internal control that might be material weaknesses under standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A material weakness is a condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control components does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that misstatements caused by error or fraud in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions. However, we noted no matters involving the Company's internal control and its operation (including control activities for safeguarding securities) that we consider to be material weaknesses as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the Commission to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures were adequate at December 31, 2004, to meet the Commission's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the board of directors, management, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the National Association of Securities Dealers, and other regulatory agencies that rely on Rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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